

SPEAKER BAACK PRESIDING

SPEAKER BAACK: Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. With us this morning for the prayer, we have Pastor Bob Bretch from the College View Seventh-Day Adventist Church here in Lincoln. Mr. Bretch.

PASTOR BRETCH: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Roll call. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: Are there any corrections to the Journal?

ASSISTANT CLERK: No corrections.

SPEAKER BAACK: Any messages, reports, or announcements?

ASSISTANT CLERK: One item, Mr. President, LR 66 is ready for your signature.

SPEAKER BAACK: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 66. We will now go to Item 5 on the agenda, the confirmation report by Senator Coordsen.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the Business and Labor Committee report is found on page 1765 of the Journal.

SPEAKER BAACK: The Chair of the Business and Labor Committee, Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. The confirmation that we are asking to be adopted this morning regards the appointment of Ms. Karen Flowers to the Nebraska Commission of Industrial Relations, as one of the judges on that court. We had the hearing on April 22nd. Ms. Flowers was present, indicated to us that she is eminently qualified, currently practices law in Lincoln, and has been a member of the Bar for nearly 20 years. After a certain amount of questioning, the members of the Business and Labor Committee went into Executive Session and voted unanimously to recommend the confirmation of Karen Flowers to the Commission of Industrial Relations, and I would encourage the body to take like action.